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President Rick Hurley with students last week at Ball Circle. The Board of Visitors named Hurley as the ninth president of UMW for at least the next three years at its meeting on April 9.

## Hurley Named President Amid Standing Ovation

By BRYNN BOYER AND ANNE ELDER  
Staff Writers

Richard (Rick) Hurley will serve as the ninth president of the University of Mary Washington, effective July 1, 2010.

The Board of Visitors made the announcement at its meeting on Friday, April 9 after an hour-long closed session.

Hurley, who has previously served

as acting president twice, has agreed to stay in the position for at least the next three years.

"My expectation is that that is not a term limit," Nanalou Sauder, rector of the BOV, said.

Hurley said he expects the contract to be finalized soon.

He said the Board's decision to name him as president did not come as a surprise, because of the "outpouring of support" he received from the campus

community.

"It shifted from 'This'll never happen' in the beginning to 'Maybe this'll happen' to 'It looks like this is going to happen,'" Hurley said.

Hurley said Sauder called him three weeks ago, asking him to consider the position.

"I said 'yes' to that," Hurley said. "I had no indication it wasn't going to happen. But, [the BOV] played their

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## BOV Sets Plan For Business, Education

By LINDLEY ESTES  
Staff Writer

The Board of Visitors approved a reorganization of the university on April 9 that will create a new College of Education, a new College of Business, and a Division of Professional Development and Regional Engagement. Each college will be treated as a separate entity with its own dean.

This restructuring of the University of Mary Washington leaves the College of Arts and Sciences intact, while changing the roles of business and education from departments to colleges of their own.

It will retain 20 departments and report to newly hired Dean Richard Finkelstein. The departments of business administration and education will no longer be affiliated with the College of Arts and Sciences. Transferred to the new colleges will be the department's existing budgets, faculty and course offerings.

Students enrolled in the university's current business and education departments will be able to complete their degrees as planned.

The College of Business will be led by Acting Dean Larry Penwell and will have a faculty of combined College of Graduate and Professional Studies and

College of Arts and Sciences professionals. It will be located on the Fredericksburg campus.

The college will be comprised of two departments, the Department of Management and Marketing and the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems. They will be chaired by Raul Chavez-Negrete and Daniel Hubbard respectively.

The new College of Education will also be housed on the Fredericksburg campus and have a mixed faculty from

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the College of Arts and Sciences and the graduate campus. The dean has not yet been named. This college is also comprised of two departments.

The Department of Curriculum and Instruction is to be chaired by Marie Sheekels while the Department of Foundations, Leadership and Special Populations will be chaired by Jane Huffman.

"The thing that matters to me most is the actual programs and we've been told that the change will not affect that too much. It will just change what's on our diploma. What's going to show is that people will think that UMW is big-

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## Yazdi Resigns, Receives \$73,160

By JESSICA MASULLI  
Staff Writer

Khalil Yazdi, who was recently demoted from his job as vice president for UMW technology, resigned last week, receiving a \$73,160 settlement.

The resignation was effective Wednesday, April 7, according to George Farrar, the associate vice president for university relations and director of communications, who provided the settlement amount.

Yazdi declined to comment on the resignation.

Yazdi's resignation came one week after President Rick Hurley demoted Yazdi from his position as vice president for Information Technologies and Institutional Research.

The *Bullet* reported three weeks ago that Yazdi had been investigated for not appropriately following Virginia laws when purchasing computer software.

The allegations made against Yazdi through a state employee fraud, waste and abuse hotline were found to be substantial by UMW Director of Internal Audit Tera Kovacs, according to an audit report. At that time, Yazdi declined to comment on the audit.

Hurley would not comment on whether the audit played a role in the demotion.

"I made the decision that I thought

was in the best interest of the university," Hurley said two weeks ago. "I thought our information technologies needed a new perspective."

Yazdi worked under former President Judy Hampe at the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education before coming to UMW in August 2008. Yazdi's annual salary was \$185,000, the third highest at UMW.

Nina Mikhailevsky, a professor of philosophy, was assigned on an interim basis to Yazdi's position. According to Farrar, a search to fill the position permanently has not yet been discussed, especially with a new administration beginning.

Mikhailevsky could not be reached for comment.

Continuing to reshape his administration, Hurley also promoted Rick Pearce to acting vice president for administration and finance. He will continue to serve in his previous role as associate vice president for business and finance.

"His additional areas of responsibility will include campus security, facilities services and human resources," Hurley said in an e-mail to faculty. "He will serve in this capacity until further notice."



Courtesy of Robert Boag/The Breeze

A crowd at a block party near James Madison University on Saturday, April 10. Police arrested 31 people after the crowd of over 8,000 was declared an "unlawful assembly."

## After Block Party at JMU, 31 Arrested in Crowd Riot

By HEATHER BRADY  
Staff Writer

In the aftermath of Saturday's riot at James Madison University, police have taken 31 people into custody and have issued summons to 25 more who were at the scene, according to Harrisonburg's Community News Network.

Harrisonburg Police Chief Donald Harper said at the City Council meeting Tuesday night that the most severe charges include assault and battery, as well as malicious wounding by mob. Five officers and one K9 were injured during the civil disturbance, but none of the injuries were serious. There was also extensive property damage, according to the JMU student paper the *Breeze*.

More than 40 individuals from Vil-

lage Lane, an off-campus area where the party was held, were treated at Rockingham Memorial Hospital, *hburgnews.com* reported. Harper confirmed at the meeting that three people were transported to the University of Virginia Medical Center.

The Saturday party was declared an unlawful assembly at 5 p.m. after over 8,000 people descended on the scene, the *Washington Post* reported.

This party happened during Springfest, an annual multi-day event usually held at Fox Hill Townhomes in Harrisonburg, according to the *Breeze*. Springfest typically attracts crowds of about 2,000 people, Harrisonburg Police Department Lt. Kurt Boshart told the *Breeze*.

Although the reason why party attendance jumped this year is unclear,

Boshart told the Associated Press that he heard the event had been publicized on Facebook beforehand. He also said that many of the people in attendance were from other universities and areas of Virginia, according to *hburgnews.com*.

More than 200 officers from Augusta County, Rockingham County, JMU, Staunton and the Virginia State Police were called in. Boshart told the *Breeze*.

The *Breeze* reported that the location was changed once the police warned area residents that there would be officers present at the event. They also reported that the Harrisonburg community has not experienced a riot this serious in 10 years, when civil dis-

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By **BRYNN BOYER**  
Staff Writer

**April 6-** Residence Life staff told UMW police that they had confiscated a home-made bong from a student resident at West Village. Police put the bong in the evidence room. Residence Life referred the student to the administration.

**April 9-** A UMW student reported that his bike was stolen. The bike was located in the abandoned bicycle log and the student went to the holding area to retrieve his bike.

**April 9-** UMW police found a "marijuana smoking device" next to the dumpster at the University Apartments. Since no one was in the area at the time, police did not take any further action. Police put the device in the evidence room.

**April 9-** Police gave a motorist a warning for passing on the double yellow line on College Avenue near Combs Hall.

**April 9-** Police arrested a UMW student for intentionally discharging fire extinguishers.

**April 10-** Police took a report of damage to state property at the Battleground Athletic Complex. A vehicle had backed up, causing the damage.

**April 10-** UMW police arrested a student for being drunk in public.

**April 11-** UMW police warned a student for reckless driving in the UMW Parking Deck.

**April 11-** UMW police warned two people who were performing bike tricks off of the flower beds and planters on Campus Walk near Lee Hall. Police told the people to stop so that they would not hurt themselves or damage UMW property.

**April 11-** During a routine patrol of the area around the Amphitheatre, UMW police found a "marijuana smoking device." Since no one was in the area at the time, police did not take any further action. Police put the device in the evidence room.

**April 11-** A UMW student filed a noise complaint about a group of 20 or 30 people in front of the University Apartments, Building 7. When police responded, they found that a party had just broken up and that the partygoers happened to be leaving.

**April 11-** UMW police responded to an emergency call from the blue light phone at the intersection of College Avenue and William Street. Police received the call at 1:41 a.m. and were on the scene at 1:43 a.m. When they arrived, no one was at the phone. Police inspected the surrounding area but did not find anyone in distress or in need of assistance.

**April 11-** Police responded to an emergency call from the blue light phone at College Avenue near duPont Hall. Police received the call at 1:56 a.m. and were on the scene at 1:58 a.m. When they arrived, no one was at the phone, but they noticed a male and female in front of Seacobeck Hall. Police spoke with both people and although they said they had seen the blue

light blinking, they had not seen whoever made the call. Police inspected the surrounding area but did not find anyone in distress or in need of assistance.

**April 11-** UMW police responded to a request for assistance from the Fredericksburg police at Heritage Auto Sales on Jefferson Davis Highway. The Fredericksburg police had found a UMW student attempting to get into vehicles on the lot by trying door handles. UMW police escorted the student back to campus. She told police that her sorority sisters had dropped her off at the car lot as a joke. She could not explain why she had been trying to get into the vehicles. Police referred her to the Residence Life professional who was on-call.

**April 12-** UMW police took a report for damage to state property. Someone had torn away a telephone from the wall in Goolrick Hall. Police recovered the phone.

This information was compiled with help from  
Assistant Vice President of Public Safety and Community Services Susan Knick

## Students, Faculty Meet to Discuss Concerns

By **ERIC STEIGLEDER**  
Staff Writer

The Faculty-Student Union, a group seeking to bring students and professors together in order to petition the UMW administration and the Board of Visitors, had their first two meetings back-to-back on Tuesday, April 6 and Wednesday April 7.

Eleven students attended the first meeting and seven students attended the second. Mike Isaacson, the student spearheading the union, said that although faculty was unable to attend the meetings, some faculty members have expressed interest.

Suzanne Sumner, professor of mathematics and president-elect of the Faculty Senate, addressed the formation of the Faculty-Student Union at the Faculty Senate meeting on Wednesday April 7.

Sumner also placed a letter from Isaacson at each faculty-senator's desk, which explained the nature of Faculty-

Student Union and welcomed feedback.

John Johnson, an adjunct instructor in the classics, philosophy and religion department, teaches the course in cultural activism from which the idea to form a Faculty-Student union sprung.

In an e-mail to Isaacson, Johnson encouraged the formation of such a union.

"I write to offer my support for your working group's intention and effort to establish a Student-Faculty Union," Johnson wrote. "This is a significant strategy to develop a much needed dialogue in place of the culture of silence that dominates relationships and to do so with issues of critical importance at UMW."

Johnson was unable to attend the meetings, but sent his support.

When Isaacson spoke at the second meeting on Wednesday, he explained the reasoning behind establishing a Faculty-Student Union.

"Why are we here?" Isaacson asked. "My answer: we're here out of love. We love the university, the faculty and staff. We love the community we have built and the community we can build."

**"We love the community we have built and the community we can build."**  
—Mike Isaacson

Isaacson then invited the students to propose a list of issues they wanted to see addressed. The attendees put together a long list of items they wished to discuss with faculty and bring to the attention of the administration and the

Board of Visitors.

Some of the issues students raised included tuition rates, faculty and staff raises, the library budget, lack of cooperation between the Stafford and Fredericksburg campuses, greater class selection, offering a comprehensive event calendar, issues with Eagle Village and possible student representation on the BOV.

Freshman Haley Campbell was vocal about her concerns. She addressed budget issues, the need for more professors, and a possibly renovation for the library. Campbell expressed her hope that Mary Washington could rise to these and other challenges.

"One of the reasons I came here is because I felt like it has such huge potential," Campbell said. "I feel like we could, if we have some successes, enact some long-term changes, not just for us, but for future generations."

Junior Simran Kaur was concerned about the lack of the Student Government Association's involvement in the

Student-Faculty Union.

"I feel like the SGA should be here," Kaur said. "It's essential that they hear what these concerns are. I feel like I'm more likely to get something heard here than heard in SGA."

Sophomore Nick DeSarno addressed his concern about the lack of faculty pay raises.

"I think the faculty here are deserving of a pay increase," DeSarno said. "Three years without a pay increase, I would expect this room to be filled with faculty."

Isaacson explained that the faculty and students are allies, not enemies, and often work to accomplish the same goals.

"There is a general consensus that faculty and staff are the enemy," Isaacson said. "This mentality has stopped a lot of progress for both the students and the faculty."

## Whatever Happened to... One-Strike Drug Policy?

By **KRISTEN KELLEHER**  
Staff Writer

Those who had hoped to see any change in the one-strike policy may have to wait until next year.

The movement, led by sophomore Nick DeSarno, Students for a Democratic Society and the Young Democrats, has been slow to organize anything formal this semester, instead raising campus awareness of the issue by circulating student petitions.

But for the fall, DeSarno has plans to schedule a series of events to mobilize a move towards a permanent policy adjustment, including a student forum and a collaborative approach to drawing up a new policy proposal.

"We want to write the policy in conjunction with students, faculty, community members," DeSarno said. "Together we can be where UMW wants to be [and] not closing doors on UMW students."

Inspiration for the student-led forum came out of a January 27 meeting between DeSarno and Douglas Searcy, vice president for Student Affairs.

"I certainly want to be supportive of the student voice," Searcy said. "To address an important issue such as this, it takes a lot of information and communication from the student perspective. We will certainly engage with the students when they are ready to dialogue about the policy."

This push for organized student involvement could be vital to a university-wide policy change, as some adminis-

trators feel that this concern lies with individual students and is not problematic for the student body on the whole.

"It's come up with individual students," Cedric Rucker, dean of Student Life, said. "Not to discredit the passions of individual students, but I have not seen a grand swell in regards [to this movement]."

Students reported mixed opinions on the topic, but many said that they would be open to attending a student forum to express their opinions on the policy change.

Sophomore Allison Holloman, juniors Sarah Staunton and Eliza Dan and seniors Austin Robles and Nti Aning all said that they would be willing to participate in the forum, though not every student favored a more lenient policy.

"I think right now the policy is fine," Holloman said. "If people want to do drugs, they take it off campus where it should be...I think it dissuades certain types of people from coming here."

Junior Rebecca Harris, who also mentioned she would be willing to participate in a forum, expressed support for the campaign.

"Legally, it makes sense, but morally, it's a bit harsh," Harris said.

DeSarno has yet to officially schedule the student forum for next year. It is expected to take place within the first four weeks of the upcoming semester.

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week's articles

### Corrections:

In the April 8 issue of the *Bullet*, the American Psychological Association was incorrectly listed as the American Pregnancy Association in the letter to the editor, "Crisis Pregnancy Centers Don't Misinform Young Women About Pregnancy Choices They Face."

In the April 8 issue of the *Bullet*, it was incorrectly stated that William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" is a 14th century play in the article "'Romeo and Juliet' Impresses Klein." It is a late 15th century play.

# Viewpoints

## College Students Unfairly Stereotyped after JMU Riot

Last weekend's block party riot at JMU highlighted the growing tensions between local residents and college students. The riot is a prime example for the locals to use of what's wrong with college kids these days.

For the locals and many parents, the images of the riot reinforce the negative stereotype that college students do nothing but drink all weekend and have forgotten that they are in college to study.

But such a sweeping generalization is unfair to the millions of college students who make good choices every day and make their studies a top priority.

And for the JMU students who did attend the block party, many were legal and only looking for one last hurrah before they buckle down for finals.

The sad thing is that many of those involved in the riot were not actually JMU students. Yet it is the JMU students that are being blamed for the police debacle.

The police did their job in breaking up the mob of partiers, but after the mob disbursed, the police should have as well. Instead, they stormed into the surrounding neighborhood

without probable cause resulting in property damage after deluging the area with tear gas and rubber bullets.

The stories of the countless innocent people caught in the crossfire are being overshadowed by the irresponsible activities of the crowd and the police alike.

As college students ourselves, the events at JMU also reflect poorly on us. Yes, the popular culture at Mary Washington is very different from the popular culture at JMU, but the

image of rowdy college students is stereotypical across the state and nation.

Those of us who have sacrificed our weekends for our GPA should be angry. We make the choice not to be a part of that "crowd," but we are still grouped in with the guys from Animal House.

Several students from JMU have voiced their anger over this very phenomenon. Out-of-towners and a small minority of disruptive JMU students have blemished the reputation

of a very good school with a nearly spotless record.

Responsible JMU students

will now be associated with this event, and may find that it affects their ability to get a job or get into graduate school. It's unfair to them, and the students at JMU that are being unfairly blamed for this event have our full empathy.

But whom do we blame? That's a more complicated question. We think the riot was the result of a downward spiral of overreaction compounding on an overreaction.

The increased police presence caused increased tension among the partygoers. The increased tension resulted in antagonistic actions of a few people towards the police,

and the overreaction of the police culminated in a tear-gas-and-rubber-bullet-ridden evening for everyone in the surrounding area.

Once the gas dissipated, it was apparent that the police had gone too far, and the uninvolved students both at JMU and elsewhere should not be associated with the actions of the minority in an unruly mob.

## Staff Editorial



Courtesy of David Casterline/Breeze

## For Graduating Seniors, These Won't Be Missed

Last week, I was sentimental and wrote about what I'd miss the most at Mary Wash. I promised to follow it with what I wasn't going to miss, and, of course, I have delivered. Though there are fewer things I won't miss than those I will miss, I think it's important to note a few aspects of Mary Washington that won't merit a tearful goodbye.

The food. First of all, freshmen can't complain. It's way better than it used to be. Though the employees are really friendly, I can't say I'll miss overcooked vegetables.

I also won't miss having to tolerate Diet Pepsi. As a Diet Coke addict, much of my money these four years has gone towards getting my daily fix, and for those of you that believe the two taste the same, you must not have taste buds.

Lack of school spirit. Okay, so I certainly haven't made an effort to go to sporting events the last four years, but the few I have attended involve a handful of intense fans, while the rest of the crowd watches with a few sporadic outbursts.

I came from a high school where the cops attended nearly every basketball game due to intense rivalries that resulted in cussing, obscene gestures and occasional fights. Going to a Division III liberal arts school, I should've expected this, but it's a little sad that the only college sports I ever anticipated were those for other schools.

Failing 3 a.m. fire drills because the idiot a floor above you couldn't hear the high-pitched screeching alarm right-

side their room. You've been freezing for almost half an hour, the fire marshal for your building comes out, and you hope that it's good news.

You then find out that unfortunately, you didn't pass the drill that woke you up from a much-needed night of sleep, and the one kid who exited the building

20 minutes after everyone else (a key thing to know, freshmen, if you want to have a name to give the "damn person who didn't wake up") is responsible for you and over a hundred other people having to repeat it the next night.

Paying for someone else's stupidity. I understand why these fines are communal, and they often only ended up costing a few dollars, but why should I have to suffer the consequences? It's not my fault some kid at 18 was never taught how to properly operate a microwave or didn't realize that after one too many shots of Aristocrat they

become the Hulk and destroy everything in their path.

And finally... Never being able to get a "Devil-Goat Day" t-shirt! Even volunteers sometimes don't get them! Though I'm not thrilled about being a Goat, and don't know how it was decided that Devils and Goats would symbolize odd and even class years, it would be nice to have something to remember this tradition by. And if I get one this year, I'll consider my college t-shirt collection complete (coughcoughClassCouncilSaveMeOne-MySizeisMediumcoughcough).

## SINGLE WHITE UNEMPLOYED FEMALE



By Emilie Begin

## Letter to the Editor:

### Legalizing Pot is a Better Way To End Mexican Drug Cartel Problems that Affect the U.S.

Thomas Bowman's article "Buying Marijuana Supports Violent Drug Cartels and Instability in Mexico" caught my interest, because the author seems to blame the drug war exclusively on one drug, and advocates a solution that apparently overlooks the merits of an alternative solution that seems obvious to me.

Mexican drug cartels are supported by more than marijuana sales. They are a major supplier of methamphetamine, cocaine and heroin. Therefore, eliminating the demand for marijuana alone will not eliminate their incentive to stay in business. So why only emphasize pot in the article?

I understand why the author advocates reducing demand, since any reduction in demand for the cartels' product offering may help weaken them. However, the article's preferred method is idealistic and unlikely to work.

Besides failing to focus on all drugs the cartels profit from, advocating abstinence from marijuana will not eliminate demand, because many people will ignore the request. Marijuana use is well-integrated into American culture, and appears to be increasingly accepted,

rather than less accepted.

Secondly, legalization would be a much more effective way to address the marijuana demand that benefits drug cartels. The government could eliminate illicit sales by legalizing, regulating and taxing the drug. However, popular support for legalization is likely to wane if abstinence were popular or framed as the only acceptable solution.

While I do not condone the use of marijuana or using drugs for any non-medical purpose, I do not think that any harm generated by legalizing pot would outweigh the benefits of removing a significant source of drug cartel profit. By contrast, I think the harm that would be produced in legalizing other drugs, such as cocaine or heroin, far outweighs the benefits of legalization.

Although I disagree with the article on the points discussed above, I appreciate the author's concern over the issue, and his effort in discussing it publicly.

JP Earnest is a non-degree-seeking student at UMW.

Looks like the Catholic Church started a website to tell people why abusing children is wrong...



Damn! If only they'd thought to write all the rules in a Book of some sort first!

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# Viewpoints

## Working Through Conflict is Worth the Fight

This week we're going to abandon our typical back-and-forth and just give you the plain facts about staying together in the face of adversity.

True, we've dealt with how to handle a fight. But what about an apocalyptic one, not to mention the aftermath? What if the fight didn't go as you'd hoped? Maybe things are a little worse for wear, but we're here to help. Also, we're writing this under the assumption that you actually want to stay together with your significant other.

First off, stay as calm as possible. The last thing you need is for the whole thing to get blown out of proportion, because then you start saying things you don't mean, and everybody comes out that much worse.

If you have a list of grievances you need to vent, take your time. Do not decide to inundate your boyfriend or girlfriend with every single reason why you think he or she is a terrible partner all at once. Don't be spiteful either. Don't do anything to "get back at" or intentionally hurt the other party, and don't do anything stupid that you'll only end up regretting.

Assuming you really do love one another, getting back on track shouldn't be that much of a

problem (we're staunch believers in "true love conquers all"). A good decision to make when things get a little shaky is to give each other some space. The time and distance can often help

each party appreciate the other more. And when the time comes to close that gap, do something celebratory.

Also, understand that a healthy relationship will have issues. It's supposed to. People are just too different to slide along without any sort of friction.

We all have our own ways of doing things that have worked for us our whole

lives, and most of us are too stubborn to see any other way.

Honestly, the couple that never disagrees is probably much more unhappy than the ones that do actually feel comfortable enough to voice their objections. That's why we hear the term "compatible" so much; you're not going to fit perfectly, but it just might be perfect enough. You won't be happy 100% of the time, no matter who you end up with.

Don't let the differences get to you, though, even if they manifest themselves in arguments.

It sounds syrupy, but if you really love each other, you're going to work it out, even when it comes to the bigger things. Don't give up if you know what you have is worth fighting for. Love is a curious thing, in that it imbues within one an extraordinary patience for their beloved. You'll do whatever it takes, and they should be willing to as well. (On the flip side, if they can't be bothered, you'd better bail).

Yes, some people just aren't meant to be, but (and this will be as vague as it gets), you'll know when you find the one that is. Just wait for the lightning.

It might be useful after a potentially relationship-ending fight to set up some mutually agreed upon benchmarks or rules. That way you can see visible progress and actually consciously recognize whether both you and the other person are trying or not. Plus, that way you have a physical entity that clearly communicates exactly what you want and need. There's no room for ambiguity.

And above all, forgive. That's what love is all about.

### Boy Meets Girl



By Bryant Matera and Kat Dickinson

## According to Amanda...

### The Sweet Hosts of Televised Shopping Networks Comfort One Babysitter

BY AMANDA BOCCUTI  
Columnist

I've spent a lot of time discussing my secret loves for various embarrassing things in this column, and I think it's about time that I fess up to a secret love I rarely tell people about. My name is Amanda Boccuti and I love watching the home shopping network.

Specifically, I like the QVC channel and the Home Shopping Network. I'm not a big fan of the obscure, generic jewelry programs tucked between the local news and sports channels. Nope. Those programs seem to lack the sass and personality of QVC and HSN. Plus, they never feature guest hosts like Suzanne Somers or Joan Rivers.

I should point out that I've never actually ordered anything from a home shopping channel. I don't watch it to shop; I watch it for companionship.

I know, I know. That sounds pathetic and I suppose it kind of is, but my love for home shopping sprung from need. In high school, I usually babysat on Saturday nights. After putting the kids to bed, I would put the TV on for background noise. Unfortunately, I discovered that for someone who has a low threshold for scary content, Saturday night TV is pretty limited.

So I turned to home shopping, because there's absolutely no risk that the plot will suddenly become scary. Rather, a cheerful, overly made-up host cheerfully talks about some sort of merchandise in a way that makes you think that you can't live without it.

What gets me is that the hosts really are persuasive. If you don't believe me, listen to a few customer testimonials some time. How can you argue with a customer who raves that the fancy kitchen gadget "had her at the asparagus," or the one who swears that elastic, high-rise stretch pants are the "best thing since sliced bread?"

I think Tim Gunn described it perfectly when he was advising a "Project Runway" designer who had incorporated human hair as a trimming to the collection he showed at Bryant Park.

"Chris," Tim had said, concerned, "it's like when you go to the monkey house at the zoo and when you first walk in you think 'My God, what is that smell?' and then after a few minutes you don't notice any more until someone else walks in and says, 'that smell is dreadful.'"

The designer, Chris, gave Tim a puzzled look, to which Tim responded, "You're in the monkey house. Make it work."

Granted, I may not be a designer on "Project Runway," but the monkey house theory holds true with home shopping. Once I start watching, I can't help but become convinced that I really do need that turntable to fix my hitherto nonexistent back problems or that those Quaker Factory Capri pants with embroidered dolphins really are where spring fashion is headed this year.

## As Weather Warms, Temptation Strikes: Sex Outdoors can be Alluring, and Illegal

Mungo Jerry once sang, "In the summertime when the weather is hot/You can stretch right up and touch the sky/When the weather's fine/You got women, you got women on your mind."

Perhaps there is a bit of truth to those lyrics. Perhaps you have men on your mind, too. It is hard when the weather heats up, it is easier not to let your mind work its way into the gutter than observing the fine bare chests of guys playing soccer or ladies tanning in their bikinis. It's only natural to have such carnal thoughts and desires.

In addition to the sexual urge, most physical issues are in your favor. Clothing is easily removable. That empty grass field suddenly looks like a warm, fluffy bed made for love-making. That abandoned spot in the woods may seem like an erotic, raunchy place to do the dirty deed. You may begin to think about getting it on "au naturel" amongst all of the other woodland creatures experiencing their mating season.

Sure, these are quite primal thoughts. Some would argue that they're downright wrong. In fact, those opposing such indulgence in public acts of sexual pleasure have the law on their

side. Even when two consenting individuals have sex in public, they can be charged for a victimless sex offense.

Sex in public often falls under the crime of "indecent exposure," with punishments that range from fines and community service to in-



carceration and, at worst, felony charges. In general, charges for indecent exposure tend to be less severe compared to other sex offenses, such as sexual assault of children, voyeurism, prostitution, solicitation, rape, and other lewd acts. Nevertheless, public indecency is against Virginia law.

That said, charges on public indecency, espe-

cially relating to couples that have sex in public, are not frequent. Apparently, couples have been skilled and secretive at mating in public, law officials are not at the right place at the right time and few people actually get charged.

If you and your partner are willing to risk being caught and are willing to accept any punishment that goes with it, attempting to have sex in public can be exhilarating. The release of sexual urges in nature can feel natural and primal.

Because the risk of being caught increases around large populations, I recommend trying it in forests or other isolated areas first. But for some people, the pending threat of being caught is arousing.

If you find the chance of being caught thrilling and want to have sex in populated, public areas, make sure your partner is completely comfortable with the concept, too. The last thing any person wants is a serious charge on his or her record for something he or she didn't want to do in the first place.

Otherwise, go forth and be adventurous. Take a walk on the wild side—but be careful. It's risky business.

## Confederate History Month Focuses on Civil War History, not Legacy of Slavery

By THOMAS BOWMAN  
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Last week, Governor Bob McDonnell declared April to be Confederate History Month. The proclamation was heavily criticized for its glaring omission of slavery—a fairly significant event in Confederate history.

After the backlash, the original proclamation was revised to include "...it is important for all Virginians to understand that the institution of slavery led to this war and was an evil and inhumane practice..."

One commentator, CNN's Rowland Martin, even went so far as to call Confederate soldiers the equivalent of "Jihadists." By Jihadist, he means to say Islamic terrorists, not peaceful Muslims on a spiritual quest attempting to cleanse their personal lives from internal impurities, which would have been the correct use of the word. But I digress.

Sorry to disappoint those who disagree with the whole idea of a Confederate History Month, but McDonnell's proclamation is nothing new. In fact, the only recent Virginia governors to not proclaim a Confederate History Month are Tim Kaine and Mark Warner.

For better or for worse, Confederate history is a part of Virginia history, and while we should not glorify the misguided principles of the South, it is important for all Americans to know why the Civil War was fought, and that slavery had only a minor role in it.

Originally, the War Between the States was over the encroachment of state rights and taxation without representation. Does this sound familiar to anybody? "Taxation without representation" was the rallying cry of the American colonists during the American Revolution.

Most of the soldiers fighting this war were only a generation or two away from Revolutionary War veterans. For both sides, the memories of the revolution were still fresh in their minds. By the way, it is important to remember that the only difference between a revolution and a civil war is who wins.

Before we demonize anybody, we should re-

member that the average Confederate soldier was conscripted and was unlikely to be a slave owner. With both sides charging \$300 to buy yourself out of the draft, the Civil War was a poor man's war. This means that aside from the generals, the Confederate soldiers had to fight for a way of life they didn't even benefit from.

In the North, slave holders from Maryland fought not for the abolition of slavery, but for the preservation of the Union. That reason was the largest for why the North fought the Civil War.

The North made abolition a rallying cry only after 1863. The reason for this is because the North was afraid that England or France would recognize the Confederacy's independence and support them with military aid.

After the Emancipation Proclamation (which didn't actually free anybody), the Civil War became about slavery, and no other nation wanted to become involved in the conflict. Why didn't the Emancipation Proclamation actually free anybody? Because it only freed the slaves in the rebellious states that had seceded from the Union, over which Lincoln had no jurisdiction.

Lincoln feared the antagonizing of Maryland would cause them to also secede from the Union, and therefore deliberately chose not to free the thousands of slaves

held in bondage on his own side.

The whole idea of Confederate History Month is to remember what many of our relatives fought and died for. In no way is this an attempt to minimize the atrocities of slavery. Instead, it serves as an opportunity to understand the complicated factors that led to the most costly war America has ever fought.

History is never linear, and is usually more complicated than good versus evil. The Civil War is no exception. Between the Union's Andersonville Prisoner Of War camp, General Sherman's total war waged on non-military Confederate civilian targets and Lincoln's suspension of the writ of habeas corpus, the North had its fair share of injustices.

Confederate History Month is a deliberate attempt to pass the knowledge on to a new generation, so they do not fall victim to the popular misconception that slavery was the prevailing cause of the Civil War.

Indeed, slavery was a terrible atrocity and an irreparable stain on our nation's history. The enslavement of an entire people based simply on the color of their skin is a memory that would be easier to live without.

However, we have a responsibility to those held in bondage and to the future generations of Virginians to remember our roots. It is because of this second revolution that the social structure was changed so that our 13th amendment could be adopted, banning the enslavement of all people within the United States of America.

The purpose of Confederate History Month is not to glorify the wrongs committed by the South, but to remember what our state and national history actually is.

“It is important to remember that the only difference between a revolution and a civil war is who wins.”

—Thomas Bowman

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# Entertainment

## Top 5 Famous Howies

*It's a bad name, but these guys make it work*

By AARON RICHARDSON  
Staff Writer

Not since Howard Hughes has the name "Howard" held that much power and demanded that much respect. However, in the past 10 years, there have been a few highly respected and popular Howards, all who've chosen to go by the familiar "Howie." While it sounds like a name better suited for a cartoon baby, the following five men what embraced the name and made it their own.

**1. Howie Mandel:** Honestly, who can resist a dashing, shaven-headed former stand-up comedian hosting one of the raddest game shows around? Every week, Mandel tears up the airwaves on "Deal or No Deal," playing with people's emotions as if they were dice and making the ultra-hot briefcase girls swoon. Mandel is also the genius behind the cartoon classic "Howie's World." Mandel doesn't just stay in the realm of comedy either; the 54-year-old Canadian was also the star of medical drama "St. Elsewhere." With more than 30 years of experience in television, Mandel is possibly the most influential Howie in the world.

**2. Howie Day:** Pop crooner Day hails from one of the most rock and roll towns on the East Coast: Philadelphia, PA. Maybe that's why Day can absolutely bring the jam in almost any situation. Whether it's shredding out in the open on Ball Circle to dozens of polite fans, or raising a ruckus on an airplane, Day brings the rock and roll wherever he goes. Day, however, isn't just a bad boy rocker, he has a sensitive side, too. One listen to "Collide," and women swoon and grown men are pushed to tears.

**3. Howie Long:** Truly one of the most-talented Howies on our list, Howie Long has been around the block, from the NFL, to acting, to hawking Sprint cell phones alongside silver screen temptress Teri Hatcher, Long has truly done it all. In his latest role as a pitcher for all things General Motors, Long combines the steelness he learned as a star defensive end for the Oakland Raiders with the nuance he learned from acting in such movies as "3000 Miles to Graceland" to wonderful effect. Though Long is a native of Massachusetts, he now holds residence near Charlottesville, where his son followed in his pop's illustrious footsteps as a star defensive end at UVA.

**4. Howie Dorough:** As an original member of the Backstreet Boys, Dorough has been making the ladies weak in the knees since most UMW students were still sporting diapers. Dorough hails from Orlando, Florida, where he learned the magic of show business growing up next to Disney World. Not only is Dorough a veteran pop singer who keeps a cool head when surrounded by thousands of screaming girls, he's a husband, father and philanthropist. Though you probably haven't heard Dorough's latest efforts at ascending the pop charts, trust us, they're pretty rad. For real.

**5. Howard "Howie" Dean:** Waaahooooo!! Former chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Dean made his name national in 2004 when he ran for the presidency of the United States. Though Dean was far too liberal for the tastes of most Americans, he never backed down from his staunch liberal wiener stance, and that takes balls. Howie, we salute you. Yeeeha!



Marie Sicola/The Bulletin  
Howie Day playing on Ball Circle on Wednesday afternoon.

## Upcoming Summer Movies to Watch For

By DREW CAMPBELL  
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Every summer, Hollywood puts out their biggest money makers. They usually not aimed at winning Academy Awards, or making you think especially hard, but their sure to be chock full of impressive effects, action and great one-liners. Make sure to check out the following Hollywood blockbusters coming out this summer.

### "A Nightmare on Elm Street," April 30

Although not technically a "summer" movie as it is coming out in late April, this is nonetheless one of the most anticipated films dropping in 2010. The main reason for this is many of the die-hard horror fans and fans of the classic A Nightmare on Elm Street are eager to see just how Michael Bay can produce a refreshing twist on this timeless horror staple. Starring Jackie Earle

Haley as Freddie Krueger and Rooney Mara as Nancy Thompson, this remake is sure to provide a balanced mix of horror and Michael Bay special effects.

### "Robin Hood," May 14

By many accounts the blockbuster of this coming summer, Robin Hood brings together the always entertaining and jaw-dropping tandem of director Ridley Scott and powerhouse actor Russell Crowe. You may remember these two teaming up for the now classic Ancient Roman epic Gladiator as well as the more recent crime drama American Gangster. In a cinematic recount of the tale of Robin Hood, this film certainly fulfills the qualification for the historical epic so many of us have been waiting years for. If you only see one film this summer, make this be the one.

### "Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time," May 28

This is an upcoming action-adventure-fantasy film directed by Mike Newell, produced by Jerry Bruckheimer and starring Jake Gyllenhaal and Sir Ben Kingsley. A film adaptation of the popular video game series, this film should be riddled with special effects and action sequences. A must see for fans of the video game series.

### "The A-Team," June 11

An upcoming adaptation of the classic televi-

sion show, director Joe Carnahan teams up with producers Ridley and Tony Scott to bring you this high-octane action-adventure movie. Starring Liam Neeson, Jessica Biel and Bradley Cooper, the story is about a group of soldiers who, after being arrested for a crime they did not commit, become mercenaries.

### "Inception," July 16

This is another of what should be a very worthwhile cinematic experience. Directed by Christopher Nolan and featuring an ensemble cast a few of whom are Leonardo DiCaprio, Ellen Paige, and Michael Cain. The plot centers around an agent (DiCaprio) who has found a way to drug various people, enter their minds through their dreams, and sell their secrets on the black market. What is sure to be a riveting psychological adventure tale, a must see for anyone interested.

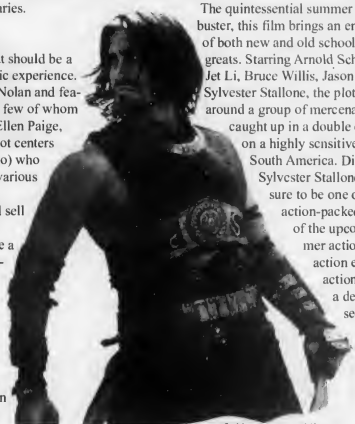
### "Salt," July 23

Another action thriller for the summer months, this film's plot centers around CIA officer Evelyn Salt, who goes on the run

to try and clear her name after being accused of being a double-agent for the KGB. Starring Angelina Jolie, Chiwetel Ejiofor, and Live Schreiber and directed by Phillip Noyce.

### "The Expendables," August 22

The quintessential summer action blockbuster, this film brings an ensemble cast of both new and old school action greats. Starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jet Li, Bruce Willis, Jason Statham, and Sylvester Stallone, the plot centers around a group of mercenaries who get caught up in a double cross while on a highly sensitive mission in South America. Directed by Sylvester Stallone this film is sure to be one of the most action-packed films of all of the upcoming summer action movies. An action epic to end all action epics, this is a definite must see for all those into the action genre.



Courtesy of videogamesthepublic.com

### Jukebox the Ghost and The Vermillions At Eyclops This Saturday

Washington D.C. based indie-band Jukebox the Ghost is playing this Saturday at Eyclops Studios on Charlotte St. this Saturday at 7 p.m. as part of the Fredericksburg All Ages spring schedule.

Jukebox the Ghost recently toured in support of Ben Folds last spring before touring Europe with Nightmare of You. The band is releasing an album this coming summer, their last being an EP titled "Let Live and Let Ghosts," which came out in 2008.

Joining Jukebox the Ghost is Chicago-based experimental band Maps and Atlases, as well as Drink Up Buttercup and UMW band The Vermillions.



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# Entertainment



Travis McCoy, frontman of Gym Class Heroes, in Dodd Auditorium on Monday night.

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## Gym Class Heroes A Small Hit At Dodd

By **ARIANA JOHNSON**  
Staff Writer

On Monday night, the Gym Class Heroes rocked a small but excited crowd at Dodd Auditorium.

The concert began at 8:15 p.m., fifteen minutes later than it was supposed to begin and ended at 9:30 p.m. The turnout was less than expected; less than half of the seats in Dodd Auditorium were full which was surprising because they are a well-known group throughout the nation and in the UK. Their popular single, "Cupid's Chokehold," reached No. 4 on the Billboard Top 100 chart. "Clothes Off!!!" reached No. 5 on the UK Singles chart.

Harneet Othee, a fan from the crowd, said, "I think the reason why there was not a large turnout is because the concert was not publicized as much as other concerts and since it was on a Monday night, people are less likely to come out."

Although she was disappointed with the turnout, Othee enjoyed the concert and said, "I was just excited to be in the front row!"

The alternative hip-hop group consists of lead singer Travis McCoy, drummer Matt McGinley, guitarist Disashi Lumumba-Kasongo and bassist Eric Roberts. They are currently on a college tour performing their recent hits as well as other songs off of their older albums such as "Cookie Jar" and "The Queen and I." The crowd went wild the whole night and the energy throughout the audience almost made the audience seem a lot larger than it was. Fans jumped and clapped to songs while McCoy encouraged the audience to dance. McCoy introduced the audience to each member of his band while singing one of the group's songs and the intensity of the cheers from the crowd increased.

As an introduction to their most popular song, McCoy made a funny speech about the type of girl he was looking for. "I just want the kind of girl who likes to wear pajamas, eat cereal and watch Grey's Anatomy." The band launched into "Cupid's Chokehold."

When "Clothes Off!!!" began to play, McCoy told the crowd to take an article of clothing off and throw it onstage. While a small amount of people actually took a piece of clothing off, most were afraid that they wouldn't be able to get it back and refrained.

Several fans remained in Dodd Auditorium after the concert hoping to get autographs, pictures and hugs from the entire band. To their dismay, McCoy did not stick around to greet fans, but the rest of the band came out to the auditorium to talk and take pictures with fans. When asked if Lumumba-Kasongo and the rest of the band wanted to go to Capitol Ale House for their weekly "Dollar Burger Night," he said, "The band and I already ate at Lone Star before the concert and I actually had two burgers there."

Overall, the concert was a success and students were happy to attend a concert to relieve some stress before finals. Giant Productions tries to have at least one large concert each semester at Mary Washington and they accomplished this on Monday.

## NBC Thursday Stars Join Forces In 'Date Night'

By **BRENDAN OUDEKERK**  
Staff Writer

When I saw that "Date Night" stars Tina Fey and Steve Carrell, two of my favorite actors, I couldn't contain my excitement. Both absolutely dominate the NBC Thursday night lineup, so I expected them to bring a lot of their comedic talents to the table.

Once I learned that Fey hadn't been involved in the writing process, which is disappointing when you consider the great work she's done as a writer for '30 Rock' and the hit movie 'Mean Girls,' my initial excitement was dampened. Another concern came with the realization that Shawn Levy, who has worked on lackluster family films such as 'Cheaper by the Dozen' and 'Night at the Museum,' was the director. However, it became apparent within a few minutes of the film that it definitely is not a family flick.

The movie begins with Phil (Carrell) and Claire Foster (Fey) lamenting that their marriage has become boring and stale from the burdens involved with raising their children. Phil decides that for their next date night, they should do something special to rekindle their former excitement. Sure enough, plenty of crazy events unfold

reminding both of them of their attraction they have for each other.

After taking the reservation

from a no-show at a hip new restaurant, the two are mixed up with another couple that has stolen some damaging information about the city's district attorney. Things become even more complicated when they realize that the goons chasing after them are actually cops. They decide that they can't go to the police for help and take matters into their own hands.

They travel all around New York City



courtesy of accesshollywood.com

trying to put the piece together all of the information about the blackmail the couple who they were mistaken for committed. A high-speed car chase, a strip club, and a shirtless cameo by Mark Wahlberg all add to the adventure the Fosters experience while attempting to get themselves off the hook.

"Date Night" had everything I wanted. The action sequences were very impressive, which surprised me since it hadn't been advertised as a fast-paced film. The comedy was great, the jokes were all funny, and it was apparent that the cast had a great time filming. You might be thrown off by some of the previews that focus on more of the family-friendly aspects of the film, but trust me when I say they don't really do the film justice.

## Lil Weezy Finds New Job in the Slammer

By **LONDON JAMES**  
Staff Writer

Lil Wayne is still keeping fans interested from behind bars.

The Young Money Millionaire is currently serving a one-year long sentence at New York's Rikers Island after pleading guilty to an armed weapons possession arrest from 2007 in New York City. According to Rolling Stone, Wayne originally was supposed to be sentenced in February, but managed to get two postponements on his hearings due to various health reasons court procedures that needed to be taken care of.

Wayne was finally prosecuted and sentenced on March.

Recently, it was released to the public how Wayne's been keeping himself busy during his time at Rikers so far. Antonia "Toya" Johnson, former ex-wife and mother of Wayne's oldest daughter Reginae, told Rolling Stone, "Wayne has a job. They got him on suicide watch for other prisoners. He watches the crazy prisoners and makes sure they don't kill themselves."

Johnson admitted although the work is not extremely difficult, Wayne, along with many of the other inmates, wished the nine to five job paid out more.

Yet apparently Wayne's transition to prison has not been as traumatic as one might think

and according to Johnson, he has even managed to avoid getting a haircut so far.

However, being behind bars has not stopped the outspoken rapper from reaching out to those important to him. Aside

from watching over suicidal victims, Wayne has become a full-fledged prison blogger.

Wayne's blog, entitled "Weezy Thanx You," was launched April 2 and gives Wayne the opportunity to respond to fan emails, concerns, and questions.

"During my prison stint, I want my fans to know I love you. I want all of you to know that I appreciate all the mail I get, and this is my way of saying thank you," Wayne wrote on his site.

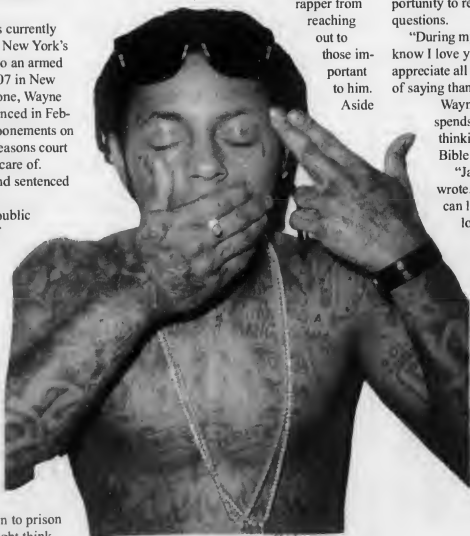
Wayne explains on his blog that he spends most of his time working out, thinking about his kids, and reading his Bible every day.

"Jail didn't make me find God," he wrote. "He's always been there. They can lock me up, but my spirit and my love can never be confined to prison walls."

Pending good behavior, Wayne might be back rapping on the streets as early as eight months into his sentence. Until then, a timer on Wayne's blog will continue to count down the days till his liberation.

According to Rolling Stone, Wayne's March 8 update as he was heading to jail was optimistic.

"Law is mind without reason," Wayne wrote. "I'll return."



courtesy of hip-hoprx.com

“ I just want the kind of girl who likes to wear pajamas, eat cereal and watch Grey's Anatomy. ”

Check out [www.umw-bullet.com](http://www.umw-bullet.com) for more photos from the Gym Class Heroes show.



# Features

## Vintage Shop Opens Doors Beaucoup Vintage

By JORDAN KROLL  
Staff Writer

Vintage fashion has found downtown Fredericksburg.

The new Beaucoup Vintage located at 208 William Street will open April 30.

The store will specialize in selling women's fashions from the 50's through the 80's at affordable, student-friendly prices.

According to the store's owner, 2005 UMW alumna Megan Parry, most items will cost between \$10 and \$20.

Parry buys the clothes from various vintage wholesalers across the country as well as at Goodwill and other thrift stores, yard sales, estate sales and auctions. Although searching for quality vintage clothing can be an arduous process, it is all about "cultivating your eye," according to Parry, who likens hunting for vintage items to studying art history, her major at UMW.

By paying attention to the various fabrics, prints, and silhouettes of each decade, Parry is able to correctly identify which decade an item is from and whether or not the garment is a quality vintage piece.

One of the best things about buying vintage, according to Parry, is how easy it is to update your wardrobe with just a few inexpensive pieces. Plus you're sure to be wearing something unique. Shopping vintage is also an easy way to be eco-friendly because, as Parry puts it, "you're actually recycling clothes."

Vintage clothing can be frustrating at times too. Once you've found that perfect 80's party dress, it might not fit properly. Frequently items need to be tailored for the wearer.

One of Parry's long-term goals for her business is to offer in-house tailoring, but until then she's glad to recommend local tailors so customers can be completely satisfied with the fit of their vintage pieces.

Being able to share her passion for clothing is one of the things that prompted Parry to open Beaucoup Vintage. It's been a dream of hers since high school to open a store, but only in the past five years has she decided to specialize in selling vintage clothing.

She worked as the Visitor Services Coordinator in the UMW galleries for the past two years, but recently quit



Courtesy of Megan Parry

Laura Tenekjian, UMW alumna from the class of 2007 and a friend of the store owner Megan Parry, modeled some of the vintage fashions from the shop.

focus on opening the store.

Parry is probably a little better off than many first-time small business owners, due to a convenient building and strong support network of friends and family, but opening Beaucoup Vintage has not been without complications.

"I've had to develop a whole new skill set," Parry said.

On a day-to-day basis, she has to worry about licenses and permits with the city, taxes, setting up the store and getting it ready to open, but she also gets to do "the fun stuff" like hunting for clothes and getting them ready to

sell.

Parry also operates the Web site Chicfaced.com with a friend. The website is a mix of the writers' opinions of various designer trends and beautiful pictures they take of their outfits in different places around downtown Fredericksburg.

The Web site showcases many ways to incorporate vintage pieces into your wardrobe. When asked for her best fashion tip, Parry said, "don't be afraid to take a risk."

"Putting thought into your clothes can be fun," Parry said, who quipped, "It's just as easy to put on a dress as it

is to put on pajama pants."

Opening the store is another risk, but it was "now or never" according to Parry who isn't letting the failures of places like Vintage Jewelry by Cher'ree, another downtown store that closed recently, discourage her.

By working alongside the owner of another popular clothing store, Madeline Ruth, Parry hopes to draw a younger crowd to downtown Fredericksburg. The two stores plan to host events and stay open later on the weekends.

The first event Parry has planned is a preview of her store on April 18 at

Kybecca Wine Bar. Tickets are \$15 and available to anyone ages 21 and up. Vintage wines will be served while Parry and her friends model some of the clothes that will be sold at the store.

Although Beaucoup Vintage is opening just as the semester winds down, anyone still looking for a dress to wear to graduation or unique accessories to dress up your summer internship attire should definitely stop in. Beaucoup Vintage might just have exactly what you're looking for.

## Student Garden is Sprouting

By BRITTANY NASSEF  
Staff Writer

"Sometimes I feel like an archaeologist," sophomore Colleen Brooke said.

Digging in the dirt and playing with worms is all in a day's work for those who help out with the community garden downtown.

Started last year by Brooke and Karl Gergel, both sophomores, the Students for a Democratic Society's community garden is blossoming.

"We expanded the garden by a third, added a flower bed, and a second compost bin," Brooke said.

Last year, the community garden held carrots, habanero peppers, arugula and even broccoli.

"They broke ground February 19 for a new season of gardening. SDS began the garden and the members care for it," junior Desirée De Haven said.

On April 5, SDS and UMW's Ecology Club had a joint picnic where students and members of the Fredericksburg community planted lettuce, mint, chives, cilantro, snap peas, melons, squash and lemon balm.

"We enjoyed a great potluck feast and we planted herbs, beans, melons, peas, and some other crops after we ate. I know I had an amazing time and it was great to finally visit it and get

involved," De Haven said.

Neither Brooke nor Gergel have put any money into the garden. Donations from the Pennsylvania Dutch Tea and Spice Company, both of their parents, and being frugal with supplies allowed them to work the garden without spending a dime.

Everything that they've needed was in close proximity to the garden, even the water, which they get from the nearby cemetery.

SDS came across the empty plot of land after squatting on an abandoned lot across the street.

"The rights to the property are a complicated situation, apparently," said senior Laura Pilati. "They are owned by the same person who owns the Kenmore property, but that property is uninhabited...so Karl Gergel and Colleen Brooks have been unable to figure out, as of yet, who to contact about it."

According to Gergel, the lot was abandoned for six or seven years and was very grown over.

"It was unused, so we might as well use it," he said. "Growing vegetables and flowers and cleaning is positive for the community."

SDS members believe that their "guerrilla gardening" is good for the neighborhood, not only as a learning experience for the gardeners, but as a method of uniting the students and community members.

"It's also great how the neighbors have been so supportive," junior Carly Byers said. "An elderly lady from down the street stopped by last week and chatted with Colleen and I for ten minutes or so."

"Getting to talk to someone with a perspective different from that of an eighteen to twenty-two year old made my day and helped remind me that even though we feel isolated on campus we can still be connected to the Fredericksburg community," she said.

Brooke and Gergel said they visit the garden almost every day and spend five to six hours working there, along with other volunteers, every week.

"I think it is a great opportunity for students to learn first hand about growing things while creating something that everyone can enjoy," Byers said. "Being able to spend a few hours weeding or planting out in the sun is one of my favorite parts of the week."

The diligent few who work the garden will reap its benefits of fresh produce in the coming months.

"Honestly, this has inspired me to be a farmer," Brooke said. "It's the only way to live."

In the midst of the brick border, lined with snap peas, and nutrient-rich soil, Brooke believes that the community garden is "a little piece of heaven."



Marie Nicola/Bullet

# Features

## Abraham Lincoln: Axe Murderer?

By **MARY WILKERSON**  
Staff Writer

What do the Roanoke Colony, Edgar Allen Poe and Abraham Lincoln all have in common? Well, vampires, according to Seth Grahame-Smith, the author of *Abraham Lincoln Vampire Hunter*. In this novel, Lincoln is less honest and more of a lethal-stealth assassin. You may remember Smith from his 2009 release *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies*.

As the semester quickly draws to an end students looking for entertaining summer reads should seriously consider picking up this book—but do not expect it to be all fun and games. The novel is a parody, and is laugh-out-loud funny at many points, but it is written as a serious story, in a similar style to *World War Z*.

The introduction ties the author personally to the story, as the one entrusted with secret journals of Lincoln and charged with telling the true story:

"what follows nearly ruined my life. What follows, at last, is the truth." This opening gives the book an exciting and undeniably compelling start.

The vampires are refreshingly portrayed as extremely violent and gory monsters, and Smith holds nothing back in describing their horrific acts.

Smith's style of writing and use of language is as interesting as it is straightforward and uncomplicated, making the novel a quick read.

Though written as a biography, Smith incorporates a generous amount of excerpts from letters, journals and newspapers. He compliments this with hilariously photo-shopped images, such as a 1913 oil on canvas, "Abe stands among his vampire victims."

As with all mock biographies based on historical figures, the reader cannot help but wonder where the lines between fact and fantasy are blurred.

Smith cleverly uses real history as the backbone of his novel, weaving the two together so closely that it is easy to stop caring about the blurred lines

and just enjoy the story. A short trip to Wikipedia can answer any basic questions about Lincoln's life when the novel has been finished.

Smith is guilty of name dropping, tossing in such characters and events as Edgar Allen Poe, the Roanoke Colony, the Hungarian Blood Countess and the Five Points riots in New York City. He ties these to vampires, with varying degrees of success.

The last third of the novel, concerning Lincoln's presidency, drags on a little, as the history is more familiar in this section. Most individuals remember John Brown, Dred Scott, Charles Sumner, Jefferson Davis and John Wilkes Booth from grade school. The descriptions of the Civil War battles seem routine at best. Smith recovers with a strong, twist ending.

Vampires aside, Smith's understated writing impresses the reader with the semi-tragic life of a well-loved president.



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## THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID....

By **JORDAN KROLL**  
Staff Writer

I hate walking around outside at night. Whether I'm in a group downtown or going for a contemplative stroll alone, I'm terrified. This probably isn't a unique feeling, given that young women walking alone at night are often, you know, never heard from again or whatever, but it's not even abduction or rape that scares me.

Creepy old men shouting obscenities and stationary white vans with no windows don't make me feel half as nervous as I do when I hear the sound of a car driving up behind me.

I just know that one day I'm going to get shot in a drive-by.

As soon as I hear a car approach, my shoulders tense, my heart beats faster and the hair on the back of my neck stands straight up. Sometimes I stop where I am, clench my fists, close my eyes and think:

Damn. This is it. I inhale and wait.

There's a burning sensation square between my shoulder blades just as the car pulls up next to me. Somehow I've decided that's where I'm going to be shot.

It should be noted that I have absolutely no basis for this fear. I grew up in Virginia Beach, where, yeah, a high school football player was shot in a drive-by outside of a nightclub, but Virginia Beach is a big city, my school didn't have a football team and I've never been to a nightclub.

Everything I learned about drive-bys I learned from the Wikipedia articles on Biggie and Tupac (R.I.P.) and, of course, the iconic scene in "Save the Last Dance," which scares me even more. On one hand, being shot by a complete stranger on a joyride would totally suck, but what if one of my enemies shoots me?

I have enemies! And they read this paper! Oh god. I'm giving them ideas.

This fear has gotten so out of hand that I've passed it on to my roommate just by talking about it so much. Now

she also lives in constant fear every time she walks outside after 7 p.m.

Most drive-bys occur between 7 p.m. and midnight, according to research done by the Violence Policy Center in 2006. In case you were wondering. The same study, "Drive-by America," also offers a state-by-state breakdown of the number of shootings in each state.

Virginia was near the bottom with only (only?) 10 reported drive-bys in 2006, but, given that everything else has gone to shit, that number's probably at least tripled by now.

Deep down I know this fear is what my mother likes to call "irrational." It doesn't really inhibit me from living my life. I mean, I still dance like no one is watching and all of that.

But, as I prepare to spend the summer working in Texas, the state with the third highest number of drive-by shootings, I can't help but wonder if this is the last thing I'll ever write.



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## Dining on a Dime

### "Baked Veggie Macaroni"

By **Kaitlin Mayhew**

#### Ingredients:

Pasta  
1/4 cup red onion  
2 cloves garlic  
2 cups cheese for sauce  
1 cup milk  
1/4 cup cheese for top  
1/4 cup chopped zucchini  
1/4 cup corn (frozen or fresh)  
2 tbs butter  
2 tbs flour  
olive oil  
1/4 cup bread crumbs

#### Directions:

1. Bring water to a boil, add salt
2. Cook pasta, strain and set aside
3. In pan, saute onion, garlic, and vegetables in the olive oil until tender, and set aside.
4. In a small pot melt butter
5. Add 2 tbs flour and whisk with a fork until lumps are gone.
6. Let cook for 2 minutes
7. Add milk and stir until butter and milk are mixed and liquid is steaming
8. Add cheese and stir
9. Mix cheese sauce, vegetables and pasta



Kaitlin Mayhew/Bulletin

10. Pour pasta mixture into a small 8x8 pan
11. Top with bread crumbs and remaining cheese
12. Bake for 20 minutes





## WARSAW

## President and 96 Others Die in Plane Crash

On their way to Russia to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the 1940 Katlyn massacre on April 10, Polish President Lech Kaczynski and 96 others died as the plane crashed in Smolensk, in western Russia. Passengers included the president, but also First Lady Maria Kaczynski, the President of the National Bank of Poland, as well as 18 representatives from Parliament. Since the crash, the Speaker of Parliament Bronislaw Komorowski has taken over as interim president until elections can be held and has declared a week of national mourning. Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk said Polish investigators would be working around the clock to determine the cause of the crash. (*The Warsaw Voice*, April 11, 2010)

## WASHINGTON, D.C.

## Summit Raises Nuclear Concerns

President Obama started the Nuclear Security Summit on Tuesday with leaders from 47 nations, stating that while nuclear conflict between the nations has decreased, the threat of nuclear terrorism is on the rise. To his audience, Obama said, "In short, it is increasingly clear that the danger of nuclear terrorism is one of the greatest threats to global security -- to our collective security." From the summit, Obama hopes to get rid of the Cold War-mindset of nuclear threats as well as form agreements on U.N. sanctions to deter Iran's nuclear goals. (*The Washington Post*, April 13, 2010)

## CHILE

## Cardinal Links Homosexuality to Abuse

Gay rights groups around the world have spoken out against the statements made by Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, who claimed homosexuality was the cause of the church's child abuse scandals. Homosexual organizations in Italy and Chile have responded to this statement, including Arcigay and the Movement for Homosexual Integration and Liberation, whose president Rolando Jiménez said, "This is a perverse strategy by the Vatican to shirk its own ethical and legal responsibility by making a spurious and disgusting connection." Despite the backlash, Bertone qualified his statements saying that psychologists and psychiatrists have found a link between homosexuality and pedophilia. However, in Santiago where Bertone made this speech, the highest-profile case of child abuse within the church involved a priest having sex with young girls. (*The Guardian*, April 13, 2010)

# Police Used Teargas to Control Mob of 8,000 in Harrisonburg



Courtesy of David Casterline/The Breeze

Someone throws a plastic bottle toward a line of police called to a block party in Harrisonburg last weekend.

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obedience units responded to a crowd of more than 2,000 students.

Students received a text message from JMU's emergency communications system after 6 p.m. telling "Non-Residents of Village Lane to disperse from social events in that area immediately for safety reasons," reported the *Breeze*. Many students said an overcrowded phone system delayed their reception of the text.

After the party approached riot status, at 6:45 p.m. police threw grenades of teargas into the crowds that were still loitering, reported the *Breeze*. Some in the crowd were sprayed with pepper spray or hit with rubber bullets and beanbags.

Heather McElwain, a senior at JMU, was at the party Saturday afternoon when the event began to escalate. She was helping a friend who was sick when she saw dump-

sters that were lit on fire. Shortly afterwards, she saw the teargas grenades as they were flying towards the crowds.

"I went upstairs to get my friends to get dinner," she said. "As we were getting ready to leave, we saw a canister of [teargas] in the air. I pulled my friends into the closest townhouse."

She opened the blinds to see what was happening.

"I saw three of the civil disobedience unit police officers with shields pushing this guy into a corner," McElwain said. "They were pushing him against the wall of the townhouse we were in. He was trying not to collapse from the effects of the teargas."

When McElwain tried to exit the townhouse, she couldn't get outside.

As soon as I made it to the door, people started screaming, and they ran inside the townhouse," she said. "I moved out of the way so I could avoid getting

trampled. Then teargas came through the door."

She learned later that a teargas grenade was thrown onto the balcony of the townhouse she was in.

"Teargas was coming into the house," McElwain said. "Everybody was running everywhere. I had no idea what was going on. I just knew that my entire face was burning from the teargas."

McElwain collapsed because she said she couldn't breathe.

"I just started crying the hardest I've ever cried in my entire life," she said.

She found one of her friends, who had been hit on the cheek with a teargas grenade and then blacked out.

"He was carried up the stairs, and when he came to, he was throwing up on himself," she said.

As she and her friends left the scene, McElwain said police had blocked off the area.

"We decided to leave and we proceeded to walk out with our

hands in the air," she said. "Both me and my friend were breathing through our sweaters so we wouldn't inhale any more of the gas. We asked if we could get out, and one of the cops turned to us and said, 'you better, or you'll get hurt.'"

John Roesser, a UMW junior, found out about the event as it was happening from one of his friends who is a junior at JMU.

"I was thinking, I can't believe it's actually happening to people my age, friends from high school," he said. "They're having teargas shot at them. That's pretty intense."

Roesser said he doesn't think a riot like this would ever happen at UMW.

"In this apartment complex, there were 8,000 people," he said. "That's double the size of UMW off the bat. Plus, I don't think we have that kind of mentality."

The civil disturbance is still under investigation.

## College of Arts and Sciences Will Remain Intact, BOV Says

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ger than it seems because they will see colleges rather than departments," sophomore education major Kelly Clouse said.

The College of Graduate and Professional Studies will undergo the largest change as well as its fourth name change since it opened in 1999.

The Division of Professional Development and Regional Engagement is set to open by 2012 and will continue to offer services to nontraditional students.

It will include the Small Business Development Center and the Center for Professional Development and Advising Services. This initiative signals a renewed interest of UMW in helping the region. This division of the university will remain on the Stafford campus.

The division of Professional Development and regional Engagement will be led by its new associate provost, Dr. Mefa Braymer.

In the university press release, President Rick Hurley was enthusiastic about the changes.

"I'm very gratified that the Board approved these changes. They are indicative of our forward thinking and progressive approach to offer a top-flight educational experience for current and future students on both our Fredericksburg and Stafford campuses," Hurley said.

In an e-mail on Friday, Hurley explained the changes to students.

"I believe that as we move forward, the new structure will strengthen the University as a whole and enable us to offer an even better educational experience," Hurley said.



Marie Sicola/The Bulletin

Students outside Chandler Hall. As of July 1, UMW will be divided into three colleges, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business and the College of Education.

## Hurley Will Stay 3 Years at Least

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cards very close to their vest."

When Sauder made a motion at the meeting to accept the resolution that would name Hurley as president, the Board members all applauded and gave him a standing ovation.

"It seemed obvious to me that it was the right thing," Sauder said. "I'm really looking forward to working with Rick."

Hurley has been serving as acting president since April 1, taking over after Judy Hampe stepped down.

He also was acting president in the transition between William Frawley and Hampe, from April 2007 to June 2008. Before stepping up as president, Hurley was executive vice president.

Hurley said his approach to the presidency would be one of "honesty, openness and collaboration."

His immediate goal as president is implementing the strategic plan, including making sure the reaccreditation process goes smoothly.

"The strategic plan continues to emphasize the core mission of the University of Mary Washington. [It] has always been to provide a quality, affordable liberal arts education," Sauder said. "People need to understand higher

education is changing."

"I want to focus on regional engagement," Hurley said. "That means getting our name out beyond Fredericksburg."

UMW's regional engagement will be three-fold: create more internships for students, increase the reputation of

Mary Washington as an institution of higher education and create additional revenue.

He sent a campus-wide e-mail to students on Friday afternoon, explaining the upcoming reorganization of the university.

"I don't see Mary Washington growing into a mega-university," Sauder said. She shares Hurley's hopes of serving the region and wishes to "respond to the needs of higher education as we continue to move forward."

"By giving you this information first-hand, I hope to curtail rumors and speculation about what is really going on," Hurley said in the e-mail.

At the BOV meeting, Hurley said he's looking forward to meeting students through his new position.

"I'm a very accessible person," Hurley said. "Please come up to me and introduce yourself."



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"I'm a very accessible person. Please come up to me and introduce yourself."

—Rick Hurley, ninth president of UMW

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# Sports

## NBA Playoff Contenders & Pretenders

By ZACH MORETTI  
Staff Writer

The NBA regular season ended yesterday and the playoffs are set to begin this Sunday. All of the matchups had yet to be confirmed before this issue went to print, but that won't stop us from taking a look at the contenders and pretenders in each conference.

### Eastern Conference:

#### Contenders

• **Cleveland Cavaliers**- Though star forward LeBron James has been resting recently, rest assured that he will be on the court come playoff time. James should win his second consecutive MVP award, and he is the most dominating player in the NBA today. However, as shown in previous seasons, as great as James is, he can't win the NBA Finals by himself. However, the mid-season addition of forward Antawn Jamison bolsters Cleveland even more and makes them the favorites to win the title this year.

• **Orlando Magic**- The Magic went to the NBA Finals last year, and they have a real shot to return there once again this season. Center Dwight Howard is the best center in the league today, and his dominating defense changes games. Guard Vince Carter will help lead Howard and a balanced scoring attack that also includes forward Rashard Lewis and guard Jameer Nelson. Orlando may not be the favorites to win the 2010 title, but they will be a force in the postseason and could easily claim NBA superiority when all is said and done.

#### Pretenders

• **Atlanta Hawks**- Some may be surprised to see Atlanta resting under the "pretender" category, but the Hawks have serious issues that make me question their ability to win a championship. They do have a star in guard Joe Johnson and a very strong cast of players surrounding him (forward Josh Smith, center Al Horford, guard Jamal Crawford). However, Atlanta went just 1-6 against the top two teams in the Eastern Conference (Cleveland and Orlando), and they will likely have to go

through both of them just to get to the finals.

• **Boston Celtics**- As early as Christmas the Celtics were considered an elite team and a title contender. However, since the winter holiday Boston has been incredibly average with a record of 27-26. Forward Kevin Garnett is a shell of himself, forward Paul Pierce has had a down season, and the bench is lacking the depth they had in the past. All of this means the Celtics are far from a contender and a first round exit could be in their future.

• **Miami Heat**- Miami has one of the five best players in the NBA in Dwayne Wade, but unfortunately for Heat fans their isn't much in Miami besides Wade. Forward Michael Beasley didn't improve upon his lackluster rookie season and center Jermaine O'Neal hasn't been a high-caliber player in nearly four years. It's possible that Wade could lead the Heat to a first round series win, but after that there is only so far he can carry his sub-par team.

• **Milwaukee Bucks**- The Bucks transformed into a very strong team after they acquired forward John Salmons in a mid-season trade with the Chicago Bulls. Salmons joined impressive rookie guard Brandon Jennings and emerging center Andrew Bogut to form a formidable trio. But after Bogut's nasty fall earlier in the month tore ligaments in his elbow and ended his season, Milwaukee's chances of a playoff run went out the door. Without the Bogut being a force in the middle, the Bucks chances of a playoff run seem slim.

• **Charlotte Bobcats**- Charlotte was one of the NBA's enigmas this season, looking great at times and dreadful at others. Forward Gerald Wallace had the best season was a first time All-Star and forward Stephen Jackson was a scoring machine once he came over from Golden State. However, such an inconsistent team cannot be trusted in the playoffs, and the fact that they will likely play the Magic in the first round does not help their chances of advancing in postseason play.

• **Chicago Bulls/Toronto Raptors**- Whichever



Courtesy of the Associated Press

LeBron James may or may not leave Cleveland after the season is over, but right now he is a Cavalier and that makes his team the favorites to win the 2010 NBA Championship.

team makes it into the playoffs will have to face LeBron James and the juggernaut Cavaliers in the first round. That means that a first round exit is inevitable and that their title dreams are about as likely as my chances of marrying Megan Fox.

### Western Conference:

#### Contenders

• **Los Angeles Lakers**- Los Angeles has stumbled down the stretch and they are certainly not entering the playoffs playing their best basketball. Having said that, they are the defending champs, they still tout the most talented lineup in the league, and they are still have Kobe Bryant. Forward Pau Gasol has been phenomenal once again this season and forward Ron Artest proved to be a solid addition to the core that was already in place. The big question mark remains center Andrew Bynum's health, who has been out with an Achilles injury since late March. If Bynum is his old self in the playoffs, the Lakers should make a return trip to the Finals. If not, the Western Conference is up for grabs.

• **Utah Jazz**- Utah is 21-9 since the All-Star break and they're surging into the playoffs. Guard Deron Williams finally got the All-Star recognition he deserves and he and forward Carlos Boozer form a noteworthy duo. That pair and a solid bench, a legendary coach, and a great home court advantage make Utah a very scary team in the playoffs and title contenders.

• **Dallas Mavericks**- Dallas evolved from a solid team in the middle of the season to a championship caliber one when they added forward Caron Butler and center Brendan Haywood from the Washington Wizards. The trade made the Mavericks one of the deepest teams in the league, as that pair was added to star forward Dirk Nowitzki, guard Jason Kidd, forward Shawn Marion, and super-sixth man Jason Terry. The Mavs can play big or small and their talent can compete as good as anyone's.

• **San Antonio Spurs**- It may be a shock to see a seven-seed in the contenders list, but if we've learned anything in recent years it's that you can never count the Spurs out. Guard Manu Ginobili exploded over the past month and a half and his return to an All-Star caliber player makes San Antonio

a completely different team. Guard Tony Parker's return to health is also a big factor, as now each of the Spurs Big-3 are healthy. Forward Tim Duncan has his minutes limited to keep him fresh for the postseason and he might have another great run in those legs.

#### Pretenders

• **Denver Nuggets**- The Nuggets could have easily made a Finals run, but like many teams they were bit by some bad luck. With Denver it wasn't really a key injury to a star player, but the declining healthy of their leader and coach. Head Coach George Karl is dealing with cancer treatments and will miss the first round of the playoffs. Without him this season, the Nuggets have been a completely different team and despite the tremendous talent of forward Carmelo Anthony and guard Chauncey Billups, without their coach the Nuggets will have trouble getting out of the first round.

• **Phoenix Suns**- If there is one thing that NBA history has shown us, it is that the run-and-gun teams can stack up wins in the regular season but when playoff times roll around they are not the ones who hoist the trophy. Despite two-time MVP Steve Nash and powerful forward Amaré Stoudemire, the Suns lack of defense will cost them in the postseason and prevent them from making a run to the NBA Finals.

• **Portland Trailblazers**- Portland weren't going to be a championship caliber team, but they had an opportunity to make a run in the playoffs before the injury bug bit them once again. A team riddled with injuries throughout the season got more bad news just a few days ago as they learned that star guard Brandon Roy has a torn meniscus in his right knee. His status is unknown, but without him at 100 percent the Trailblazers won't be able to make any noise in the postseason.

• **Oklahoma City Thunder**- The Thunder are an incredibly exciting team filled with young talent. Guard Kevin Durant is one of the top players in the league and guard Russell Westbrook had a breakout campaign this year as well. However, Oklahoma City struggled to win close games and they will have to face the defending champs in the first round, which means that a playoff run is more likely next season.



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The Boston Celtics won the 2008 NBA title, but that seems like a long time ago for Celtics fans. This year Boston has completely collapsed and are extremely vulnerable entering the 2010 NBA postseason.

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# Sports

## Baseball Drops Pair to Stevenson

By **ANDREW KADA**  
Staff Writer

This past Saturday, April 10th, the University of Mary Washington baseball team hosted Stevenson University for a double-header at the battle-ground athletic stadium.

Mary Washington lost both games of the double-header, each defeat by a single run. The Eagles fell 5-4 in nine innings in the opening game and dropped a tough extra innings battle in the second game, losing 6-5 in 10 innings. The Eagle men were not expecting the losses and were caught off guard.

"Last weekend's games were a big dent in our season. These games were supposed to be victories, because Stevenson can't hang with us. We should have dominated them," senior Aaron Byrd said.

In both games, UMW was in the hunt for the win, but Stevenson edged them out in the late in-

nings in each game.

The visiting Mustangs took an early 2-0 lead in the first game on an RBI double by junior Brandon Krochune in the top of the first inning. Stevenson scored two more runs in the top of the third to push their lead over the Eagles to 4-0.

But UMW responded in the bottom of the third, as senior shortstop Seamus Bergen drove in a run on an RBI single and later scored on a sacrifice fly by fellow senior Will Wright.

After a couple of quiet offensive innings for both teams, the Eagles got things going again with a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth to tie the game up at 4-4. A double by Wright brought the first run home and he later scored on a sacrifice fly by sophomore third baseman Santino Rosanova.

However Stevenson had the last laugh, as a leadoff ninth inning walk came back to haunt UMW relief pitcher Nick Corbin, as the runner ended up scoring what turned out to be the deciding run in the game.

Junior pitcher John Misciocchia had a solid performance for the Eagles, as he pitched seven innings giving up seven hits, one walk, and four runs (only two earned runs). He got a no decision while Corbin picked up the loss.

UMW fell behind early once again in the second game of the double-header, as the Mustangs got three runs in the first inning. The Eagles did not stay down too long as they scored four runs in the home half of the fourth inning to take a 4-3 lead. The big inning was highlighted by a two-run home-run by Wright.

The two teams each scored a run in the fifth and Stevenson tied the game in the top of the seventh on sophomore Justin Anderson's RBI single. Neither team could break the 5-5 deadlock in nine innings, so the game went to extra innings.

In the top of the tenth a costly one-out error allowed the Mustangs Anderson to reach, and the mistake cost the Eagles as Anderson came around to score on a two-out RBI single by freshman outfielder



Courtesy of Clint Offen

**The Eagles' two losses to Stevenson University dropped their overall record to 18-8. UMW has since lost a pair against Salisbury University and then defeated York College in the first round of the CAC Tournament.**

Heath Johnson. UMW could not tie the game in the bottom half of the tenth and fell 6-5.

"The team must remember to remain focused on the games at hand," Byrd said. "We can't look to upcoming games when we have games now that we must play and win. Every player must remember that the present is now, and that the future is sometime after that."

The UMW men have been working hard since the fall semester with strenuous workout routines. The team has devoted a lot of time to weight training, including baseball-specific lifting programs by the direction of Yankees' strength and conditioning coach Dana Cavalea. The baseball team hopes that all the hard work in the offseason will pay off now.

Since last weekend, the team is not letting the defeats sidetrack their mission. Like every year, the men have the CAC championship in their crosshairs. They are confident they will succeed in the conference tournament and advance to NCAA regionals.

"The entire season has been a standout performance for the UMW baseball team," Byrd said. "We've had players get CAC player of the week multiple times. We've had younger guys step up and make big plays and big hits. Our pitchers have thrown stellar performances, our hitters have been performing in key situations, and we've received a lot of support from every player on the team."

“ Last weekend's games were a big dent in our season. These games were supposed to be victories because Stevenson can't hang with us. We should have dominated them.

—Aaron Byrd

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## Salisbury Spoils Softball's Senior Day



Courtesy of Clint Offen

**The UMW softball team dropped both games of a double header to No. 15 Salisbury University this past Saturday. With the losses the Lady Eagles record fell to 8-24-1 overall and 6-6 in conference play.**

By **TRICIA ELLIOTT**  
Staff Writer

The University of Mary Washington's softball team's Senior Day ended on a sore note as the Eagles dropped a pair to 15th ranked Salisbury University. UMW lost the first game to the visiting Sea Gulls 3-0 and fell 3-2 in the second game.

"I think our team performed our best of the season against Salisbury," graduating senior Kim Olinger said. "We knew Salisbury was going to be our toughest competition in the CAC and we were ready to play our best. Everyone was putting

everything we had into this game and leaving everything on the field that day."

UMW would hold the Salisbury offense at bay early in the opener, as sophomore pitcher Danielle Cunetta surrendered just one hit in the first three innings of play. However, the Sea Gulls offense would not be held down much longer, as Salisbury started the scoring in the fourth inning with junior catcher Taylor Webb crossing the plate on a sacrifice by fellow junior Kristin Lord.

Salisbury would tack on two more runs in the sixth inning on a RBI single by freshman Michelle Gravidahl that brought both runs home. The single

pushed the Salisbury advantage to 3-0 and caused a pitching change for UMW, as Cunetta was pulled in favor of freshman pitcher Annie Blaine. Cunetta had a solid performance but eventually took the loss. She allowed three runs on five hits and three walks in 5.1 innings of work. Blaine would close out the inning by inducing a big ground ball double play to keep the game within reach. Blaine pitched the rest of the game and was very effective in relief: she allowed no runs and didn't allow a base runner in her 1.2 innings on the mound.

Both teams struggled at the plate in the opener. Mary Washington was just 4 for 25 and Salisbury wasn't much better at 5 for 22. The key difference was that the Sea Gulls were able to take advantage of their opportunities with runners on base and thus were able to scrape across three runs despite only having five hits. Salisbury pitcher Kelly Leary was masterful in her 7 innings, giving up just four hits and no runs while striking out nine Eagle batters. UMW's four hits were all singles and came from four different players: freshman Brandee Adams, sophomores Elizabeth Crowe and Katie Sterling, and senior Kaitlin Petrella.

The second game was another close battle, but the Eagles fell once again as Salisbury narrowly edged UMW in the nightcap 3-2.

Blaine continued to pitch in the second game after appearing in relief in game one. She pitched all seven innings in game two, but took the loss as she allowed three runs on 10 hits with a pair of strikeouts. The Eagles picked it up offensively late in the second game, as they mounted a rally to score two late runs in the bottom of the seventh and had the bases loaded with nobody out. But in the end, UMW came up a little short as they couldn't get the tying run across the plate. The Eagles finished with two runs on seven hits in the game while Salisbury had three runs on 10 hits.

Before the game UMW honored two seniors, Kaitlin Petrella and Kim Olinger. Each were contributors as both had two hits in the games.

"Senior day was both a happy and sad day for me," Olinger said. "But these past four years playing softball at UMW I have made some of the best friends and they have been the best years of my life."

"Our two seniors will be missed," Head Coach Dee Conway said. "Both have contributed so much to the program—their leadership, on field work and simply by being good people."

With the two losses, the Eagles fall to 8-24-1 overall and 6-6 in CAC play. Mary Washington played Hood College in the first round of the CAC tournament last night, and the Lady Eagles knocked off the Blazers 6-2.

“ We knew Salisbury was going to be our toughest competition in the CAC, and we were ready to play our best. Everyone was putting everything we had into this game and leaving everything on the field that day.

—Kim Olinger

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## Athletes of the Week

Track and field senior Matt Cash gets the men's honor after setting a new school record in the 800-meter distance with a time of 1:51.79. Women's tennis junior Courtney Goimarc gains the honor for the women as she went undefeated over the past week in her singles matches and led the Lady Eagles to four wins in that span.